

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1-15. (Cancelled).

16. (Currently Amended) [[A]] An alkanol-free mixture of ethoxylates of C₄₋₆-alkylglycols -or diglycols which, on average, have a degree of ethoxylation of from 2 to 6 + to 8-based on the C₄₋₆ alkylglycols or -diglycols and dihydroxyalkynes or derivatives thereof.

Claims 17-18. (Cancelled)

19. (Previously Presented) A laundry detergent, cleaner or wetting agent or cosmetic, pharmaceutical or crop protection formulation comprising a mixture as claimed in claim 16.

Claims 20-28 (Cancelled).